

Speak Somali with Diplomats!



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| Project Title | Speak Somali with Diplomats! |
| Project Summary | Speak Somali with a diplomat! Our Foreign Service Officers in training at the FSI are looking for native speakers of Somali to practice their language skills. Discuss politics, current events, economics, or film, music, art history and food, to help prepare diplomats for their missions overseas. |
| Country | United States |

Project Description

The Foreign Service Institute (FSI) trains diplomats in over 70 languages. The more practice they get speaking their target language, the more prepared they will be for their language exam, and most importantly, to do their job at post. We are looking for native Somali speakers to converse with our Foreign Service Officers in an informal setting, by either phone or video chats. Conversations may start out very basic, on every day topics, and will become more sophisticated as the Diplomats advance in the training. By speaking Somali with our Diplomats, you will have a unique opportunity to help them improve their language competence, as well as to discuss Somali history, politics and culture with a future representative of the United States to Somalia.

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Cultural diplomacy

Additional Information

Contact times with Diplomats can be flexible and mutually agreed upon.

Language Requirements

| Language | Speaking Proficiency | Reading Proficiency | Importance |
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| Somali | Native or bilingual proficiency | No practical proficiency | Required |